

The Invisible Maintainer: a maintenance perspective for the digital humanities

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Mierle Laderman Ukeles: Maintenance Art



Maintenance Art
Performance: *Dusting A
Baffle*, 1970



Washing at A.I.R. Gallery on Wooster St.,
1974



from *Touch Sanitation Performance*,
1978-80

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from *Transfer: The Maintenance of the Art Object*, 1973



Sorted E-Waste ready for further processing

Clockwise From Top Left:

Laptop Cases

Cell Phones without Batteries

Video Cards (GPU)

Cables

Mechanical Hard Drives

Random Access Memory chips
(RAM)



Electronic waste export



Global E-waste Export Routes (2010)

Source: Basel Action Network (BAN)



Still from *E-Waste Tragedy* (2014)



E-waste Scrap Yard in Hong Kong
Ken Christensen/Earthfix



